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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231	Application Number	09/744,820
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	First Named Inventor	Friedrich Welcker
	Art Unit	2839
	Examiner Name	C. Prasad
	Attorney Docket Number	WELCKER-1 PCT

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. [Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114]

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
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2. [Miscellaneous]

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. [Fees] The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-2468
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
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- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$375.00 enclosed
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TITLE: BATTERY TERMINAL CONNECTING CABLE

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

ATT: BOX RCE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated September 13, 2002 with the time period for response being three months or by December 13, 2002 and being extended with a one month petition for an extension of time to January 13, 2003 please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 20 as follows:

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20. (Amended) A battery terminal connecting cable comprising:

a) a strand comprising a plurality of fine wires, and having a further section formed when said plurality of fine wires are pressed together and, wherein said wires are welded together in said further section; and

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